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The Commiſſioners of Exciſe have thought fit to give Notice, that by an Act paſſed the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, for laying a Duty upon Hops, it is amongſt other things Enacted,

THAT all and every Perſon and Perſons whatſoever, who, on or before the 1ſt Day of Auguſt, 1711, ſhall have any Hops planted or growing within, or upon any Ground whatſoever in Great Britain, for Sale, or not for Sale, ſhall on or before the ſame 1ſt Day of Auguſt 1711, give or ſend Notice in Writing under his, her or their Hands, at the Office of Exciſe next to the Place, or to the Officers for the ſaid Duties of the Diſtrict where ſuch Hops are, or ſhall be planted or growing, of all the Hop Grounds then in his, her or their Poſſeſſion, and of the Name or Names of the Pariſh, Townſhip or Place, Pariſhes, Townſhips or Places wherein the ſame do lie, and the Name or Names of the Owners, Tenants or Occupiers thereof reſpectively; and that from and after the ſaid 1ſt Day of Auguſt 1711, during the Continuance of the ſaid Duties upon Hops, all and every Perſon and Perſons whatſoever, who ſhall Plant, or cauſe to be planted, or ſhall have growing any Hops upon any Ground whatſoever in Great Britain, for Sale, or not for Sale, ſhall Yearly, on or before the 1ſt Day of Auguſt in every Year, give or ſend like Notice of all the Hop Grounds wherein any Hops ſhall be growing in every ſuch Year; and if any Perſon or Perſons, who ſhall Plant, or cauſe to be planted or grow, any Hops within or upon any Ground whatſoever in Great Britain, ſhall neglect to give or ſend ſuch Notice in Writing of his, her or their Hop Grounds as aforeſaid within ſuch time as is before-mentioned, contrary to the true meaning of this Act, then and in every ſuch Caſe, the Offender therein for every ſuch Offence ſhall forfeit and loſe the Sum of 40 s. for every Acre by Eſtimation of ſuch Ground, and after that rate for a greater or leſſer quantity.

And that no Perſon or Perſons whatſoever ſhall at any time or times, from and after the 1ſt Day of Auguſt 1711, during the Continuance of the ſaid Duties upon Hops, make uſe of any Ouſt, Store-houſe, or other Place, or of any Kiln for curing or keeping of Hops, chargeable with any the Duties aforeſaid, unleſs Notice of ſuch Ouſt, Store-houſe, Place or Kiln, ſhall have been before given, or ſent in Writing as aforeſaid, upon Pain of forfeiting the Sum of 50 l. for every Offence.

And that all ſuch Hops as in any Year, during the Continuance of this Act, ſhall grow in Great Britain as aforeſaid, ſhall, by the reſpective Owners or Planters thereof, within ſix Weeks after the gathering or picking of the ſame, be brought to be cured and bagged at ſuch Ouſts, or other Places to be notified as aforeſaid, and none other, upon pain of forfeiting the Sum of 5 s. for every Pound weight of the ſaid Hops which ſhall not be ſo brought, cured and bagged as aforeſaid.

And that the reſpective Planters or Owners of the ſaid Hops to grow in Great Britain, or their Agents, before the bagging of the ſame, ſhall give or ſend Notice in Writing under his or their Hands to the next Office of Exciſe, or to the proper Officer for the ſaid Duty, of the preciſe Day or time on which he, ſhe, or they ſhall Bag his, her or their Hops; which Notice, as to ſuch Hops as ſhall be bagged within the firſt Week after the Planter or Owner firſt begins to bag his Hops, ſhall be given or left at leaſt twenty four Hours before every Days bagging of the ſame; and as to the remainder of his Hops for that Year ſhall be given or left at leaſt forty eight Hours before every Days bagging of the ſaid remainder, to the end ſome one or more of her Majeſty's Sworn Officers of Exciſe may (without his or their own wilful neglect or default) be preſent at the bagging, weighing and marking of the ſame, as are herein after preſcribed, under pain of forfeiting the Sum of 50 l. for every neglect or default of any ſuch Planter or Owner, in not giving or ſending ſuch Notice as aforeſaid.

And that no Planter or Owner of Hops, after the 1ſt Day of June 1711, during the Continuance of the ſaid Duties on Hops, ſhall (under the pain of forfeiting the Sum of 50 l. for every Offence) remove, carry or ſend away, or ſuffer to be removed, carried, or ſent away, from his, her or their Ouſt, Srore-houſe, or other Place (whereof Notice ſhall or ought to be given as aforeſaid) any Hops chargeable with the Duty by this Act impoſed, untill the ſame ſhall have been cured, bagged and weighed, and the Duties thereof ſhall be aſcertained according to the true meaning of this Act, unleſs in ſuch Caſes where the Officers of the ſaid Duties (having due Notice firſt given or left as aforeſaid) ſhall nevertheleſs neglect to attend the bagging and weighing of the ſame.

And that if any Planters or Owners of Hops ſhall fraudulently hide or conceal, or cauſe or procure to be hid or concealed, any Hops chargeable by this Act, to the intent to deceive her Majeſty of the juſt Duties by this Act granted, that then and in every ſuch Caſe, the Party ſo offending ſhall for every ſuch Offence, forfeit the Sum of 20 l. and all the Hops ſo concealed and hid, to her Majeſty's uſe.

From the Camp at Gonai *near* Bethune, July 20. *N. S.* On Saturday the 18th Inſtant ſix Battalions of Foot and five hundred Horſe were ſent from the Army to reinforce the Garriſon of Douay; and yeſterday the Troops encamped near that Place to cover the Workmen at Arleux returned to the Camp, the Work there being finiſhed, and a Garriſon of 600 Men left in the Place. This Day his Grace the Duke of Marlborough marched with the Army under his Command to this Place, and we are now encamp'd with the Right at Brouay and the Left at Mazengarbe. We ſhall continue our March to Morrow towards the Source of the Lys. We have Advice from the Enemy's Army, that they have made a third Detachment of two Brigades of Foot, and one of Horſe, which march'd yeſterday to Bouchain.

From the Camp at Cote, July 23. *N. S.* On Tueſday the 21ſt Inſtant his Grace the Duke of Marlborough continu'd the March of the Army under his Command from Gonai, and encamp'd with the Right at Ligny, and the Left at Marle, with the Town of Aire about a League and half in our Rear. Upon our taking this Camp the Enemy's Army likewiſe march'd, and is encamp'd with the Right at Etrun near Arras, and the Left extending towards Hedin, the Mareſchal de Villars's Quarters being at Montenencourt. This Day about Noon an Aide de Camp came hither from Count Hompeſch, Governor of Douay, to acquaint his Grace that about ſix in the Morning a Body of the

Enemy's